

Service Ribbons of the Armed Forces

Since actual decorations and medals are worn only on dress occasions, strips of duplicate ribbon as attached to the original emblem are worn at other times to show that the wearer has received such recognition. These ribbons illustrated here are divided into three groups, and in each the most frequently seen ribbons have been highlighted for quick identification.

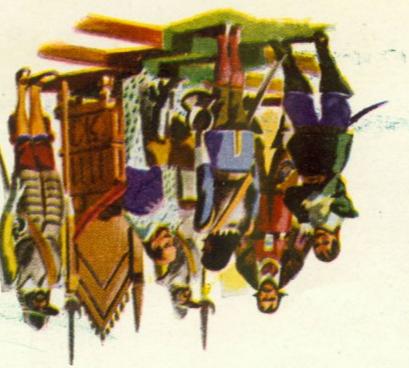
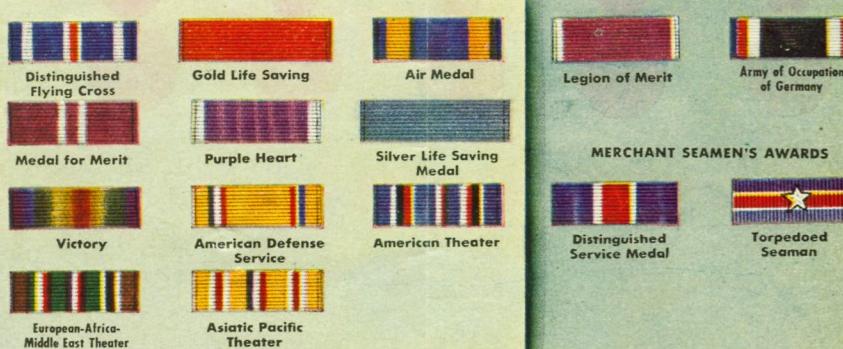
Army Ribbons



Navy Ribbons



Combined service ribbons



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Today, wartime America has a well-developed system of medals, decorations, and ribbons. It is the purpose of this folder to show them and to explain their significance.

Washington's birth, in 1847, the Crater battle of Mine Run was concurred and established the Medal of Honor, which for some 40 years was the only American military decoration. With the Spanish-American War and the Spanish-American War, the first rank-and-file medals for wars and campaigns, ensuring events came new rank-and-file medals for wars and campaigns.

Awarded, but no medal was struck until 1905. In 1861 United States established the Medal of Honor, which for some 40 years was the only award.

The Purple Heart soon fell into disuse, not to be revived in its present form until 1932, on the 200th anniversary of Washington's birth. Since then, the figure of a heart in purple cloth or silk. This was the original Purple Heart on his facings, over the left breast, which every military action is performed, the author of it shall be permitted to wear in his uniform. It was far him to emphasize the democratic note in his order by recording "to cherish a virtuous ambition service. It was also George Washington who insisted in 1782 the first American decoration for individual merit should be授与。

George Washington received the first medal from the front page of this folder.

Dubuque and in 1816 the British returned to the predecessor with the Waterloo Medal for "every officer, non-commissioned and

medals were awarded to officers and men alike following the Battle of滑铁卢。In 1850 commemorating Britain's victory in the war with Spain. Again in 1850

In 1888, Queen Elizabeth had three medals struck and issued to

own reward, for they rarely got their recipients into history books. From then until the time of Good Queen Bess medals must have been the first on record. From commands that appear to have been the first on record. From

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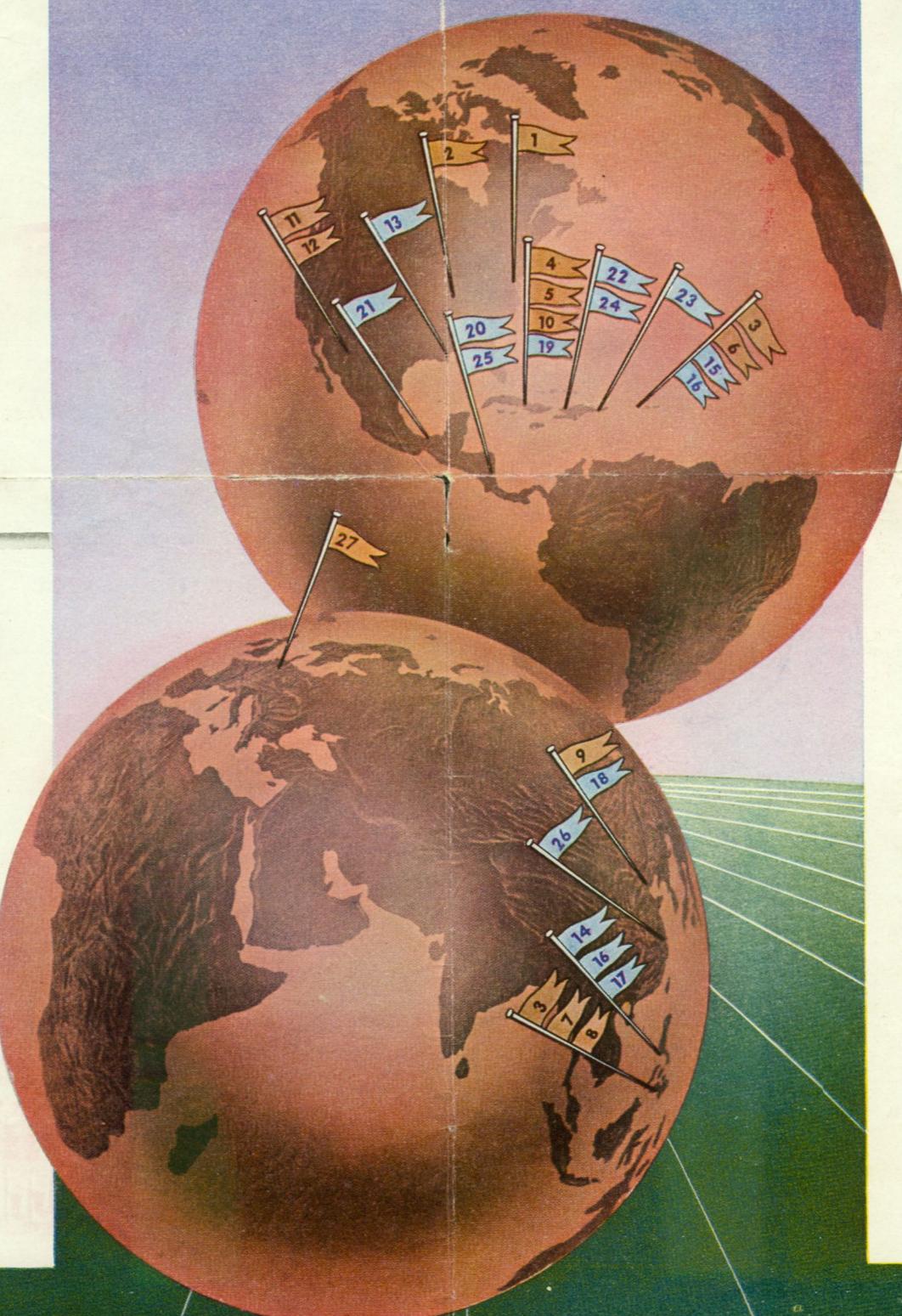
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Campaign Medals of the Armed Forces of the United States of America

Army Campaign Medals



These emblems most often stand for participation in a specific campaign or theatre of endeavor. They are shown here divided into three groups "Navy Medals", "Army Medals" and "Combined service medals". The approximate area of activity commemorated by the individual medal is graphically illustrated.



Navy Campaign Medals

